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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Patent Application:

- 1. Response under 37 CFR 1.111 (11 pages)
- 2. Copy of Notice to change correspondence address mailed 1/10/2001 (1 page)

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